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Listing of Claims:

The listing of claims presented below reflects the pending claims in the instant application as of the mailing date of the non-final Office Action (*i.e.*, February 26, 2008). No amendments have been made herein to the pending claims, and this listing of claims has been provided solely for the Examiner's convenience:

1. (Previously Presented) A method of inhibiting growth of a recurrent autologous tumor in a mammal, comprising administering to said mammal after therapeutic intervention for a primary tumor a composition comprising taurolidine or a biologically active derivative thereof, in an amount sufficient to induce tumor cell death by apoptosis, wherein said tumor is ovarian cancer.

2. - 4. (Cancelled)

- 5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said composition is administered to directly contact the surface of a cell of said recurrent tumor.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said composition is administered by intraperitoneal lavage.
- 7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said composition is administered systematically.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 7, wherein said composition is administered intravenously.
- 9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said composition comprises taurolidine.
- 11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said composition comprises a taurolidine derivative or metabolite.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising administering a chemotherapeutic agent selected from the group consisting of an antimetabolite, a purine or pyrimidine analogue, an alkylating agent, an intercalating agent, a crosslinking agent, and an antibiotic.

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- 13. (Previously Presented) A method of inhibiting growth of a recurrent autologous tumor in a mammal, comprising administering to said mammal after therapeutic intervention for a primary tumor a composition comprising taurultam or a biologically active derivative thereof, in an amount sufficient to induce tumor cell death by apoptosis, wherein said tumor is ovarian cancer.
- 14. 16. (Cancelled)
- 17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said composition is administered to directly contact the surface of a cell of said recurrent tumor.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said composition is administered by intraperitoneal lavage.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said composition is administered systematically.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19, wherein said composition is administered intravenously.
- 21. (Cancelled)
- 22. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein said composition comprises taurultam.
- 23. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein said composition comprises a taurultam derivative or metabolite.
- 24. (Original) The method of claim 13, further comprising administering a chemotherapeutic agent selected from the group consisting of an antimetabolite, a purine or pyrimidine analogue, an alkylating agent, an intercalating agent, a crosslinking agent, and an antibiotic.
- 25. 77. (Cancelled)
- 78. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said composition consists of taurolidine and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.
- 79. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said composition consists of taurolidine, a chemotherapeutic agent, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

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- 80. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 79, wherein said chemotherapeutic agent selected from the group consisting of an antimetabolite, a purine or pyrimidine analogue, an alkylating agent, an intercalating agent, a crosslinking agent, and an antibiotic.
- 81. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said composition consists of taurultam and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.
- 82. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said taurolidine is administered prophylactically at the time of surgery of said primary tumor.
- 83. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said composition consists of taurultam, a chemotherapeutic agent, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.
- 84. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 83, wherein said chemotherapeutic agent selected from the group consisting of an antimetabolite, a purine or pyrimidine analogue, an alkylating agent, an intercalating agent, a crosslinking agent, and an antibiotic.
- 85. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said taurultam is administered prophylactically at the time of surgery of said primary tumor.